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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 3447

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR US UG  
SUBJ: REQUEST FOR GOOD OFFICES ON BEHALF OF AMERICANS IN UGANDA

REF: STATE 42666

1. MET WITH FAHMY THIS MORNING TO ASK THAT  
EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR IN KAMPALA BE INSTRUCTED USE HIS  
INFLUENCE WITH IDI AMIN TO ASSURE SAFETY AND WELL BEING  
OF AMERICANS RESIDENT IN UGANDA. I SPECIFICALLY ASKED  
THAT AMERICANS WHO WISH TO LEAVE UGANDA BE ALLOWED TO  
DO SO AND THOSE REMAINING BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN  
WITHOUT HARRASSMENT. I ALSO ASKED FOR ANY SUGGESTIONS  
FAHMY MIGHT HAVE FOR US ACTION.

2. FAHMY IMMEDIATELY AGREED TO SEND INSTRUCTIONS TO  
EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR IN KAMPALA. HE CALLED AMIN  
"CRAZY". HE DID NOT KNOW HOW MUCH EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR  
MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO, BUT RECALLED EARLIER GOE  
INTERVENTION IN BEHALF OF BRITISH JOURNALIST HAD CAUSED  
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AMIN TO "TONE DOWN".

3. ASKED WHO ELSE WE HAVE APPROACHED, I MENTIONED  
OAU SYG, MOBOTU, AND OTHER AFRICAN LEADERS. FAHMY'S  
ONLY SUGGESTION WAS THAT THE MORE AFRICAN LEADERS WHO  
CAN BE PREVAILED UPON TO APPROACH AMIN ON THE SUBJECT,  
THE BETTER. FAHMY DID NOT MINIMIZE THE OMINOUS NATURE

OF AMIN'S ACTION.

4. IN CONTRACT, MFA UNDER SECRETARY AHMED OSMAN, WITH WHOM I DISCUSSED AMIN'S ACTION LAST NIGHT, OPINED THAT IT WAS NOT REALLY INTENDED AS A THREAT. OSMAN THOUGHT AMIN WOULD LECTURE THE AMERICANS THAT THEY WERE SAFE IN UGANDA, BUT WARN THEM THAT HE WOULD TAKE SEVERE ACTION AGAINST ANY INVOLVEMENT IN CONSPIRATORIAL ACTIVITIES. I TOLD OSMAN THAT AMIN'S CHARGE OF CIA COUP PLOTTING WAS ABSURD. I HOPED NEITHER HE NOR ANY RESPONSIBLE GOE OFFICIAL WOULD GIVE CREDENCE TO IT. OSMAN, WHO TENDS TO BE CONSPIRACY-MINDED, WAS NOT ENTIRELY PERSUADED. HE AGREED, HOWEVER, THAT AMIN IS UNSTABLE AND ONE CAN NEVER BE SURE WHAT HE WILL DO.  
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